



AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO HEALTH.

Be it ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Waterbury:

SECTION 1. There shall be a Board of Health for said city, consisting of three members exclusive of the Mayor, one of whom shall be a physician in good standing, who shall hold office for the period of three years from and after the first day of January after their appointment and until others are chosen in their stead.

SEC. 2. Said Board of Health may employ a Health Officer, and may also, with the consent of the Board of Aldermen, appoint one Sanitary Inspector with such powers and duties as they may prescribe.

SEC. 3. The Health Officer shall be paid a salary of two hundred and fifty dollars annually, and the Sanitary Inspector shall receive such compensation while on duty as said Board of Health shall prescribe.

SEC. 4. The Board of Health shall meet at least once each month between October 1 and May 1, and twice each month between May 1 and October 1. Special meetings of the board may be called by the Clerk at any time when occasion may require, or at the request of any member. The Clerk shall keep true and correct records of all doings of said board.

SEC. 5. The Board of Health may make all needful rules and regulations prescribing the duties of the Health Officer and Sanitary Inspector, and such rules and orders as they may deem needful for the protection of health not inconsistent with the ordinances of said city.

SEC. 6. Any person who shall neglect or refuse to comply with any rule or order of said board, when no other penalty is specifically provided, shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

SEC. 7. No member of the Board of Health shall receive any compensation for his services as a member of said board unless he shall be employed as a Health Officer by said board.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

Be it ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Waterbury:

SECTION 1. Scarlet fever, diphtheria, small pox or varioloid, typhus fever, cholera and yellow fever, and also any other disease publicly declared by the Board of Health to be dangerous, are hereby defined to be contagious or dangerous diseases within the meaning of this ordinance.

SEC. 2. That every physician practicing within the city of Waterbury shall report to the Health Officer, in writing, the name, age, and address of every person having any contagious or dangerous disease for which such physician has prescribed or attended within the preceding twenty-four hours, and such reports shall be confidential. Every physician shall also report, in writing, the name of the school at which the patient attends, or the name of the factory or workshop at which the patient may work, if any. Every attending physician shall also report, in writing, the name, age, and address of any person who shall have died of any contagious disease, within three hours after he shall have been informed of said death.

SEC. 3. Every lodging house keeper, hotel keeper, or householder, in said city in whose dwelling shall occur a case of diphtheria, scarlet fever, small pox, or any other contagious disease, shall notify the Health Officer of the same within twenty-four hours after its occurrence.

SEC. 4. No person shall, without a permit from the Health Officer carry or remove from one building to another any person sick with any contagious disease; nor shall any person, by any exposure of any individual sick of any contagious disease, or of the body of any such person, or by any negligent act connected therewith, or in respect to the care or custody thereof, or by needless or careless exposure of himself, cause or contribute to or promote the spread of disease from any such person or from any dead body.

SEC. 5. No principal, teacher, or superintendent of any school, and no parent or guardian of any child attending any school, shall knowingly permit any child sick with any contagious disease, or any child residing in any house in which such disease shall exist, to attend any school until the Board of Health shall have given its permit therefor.

SEC. 6. No person or articles liable to propagate any contagious or dangerous disease shall be brought into the city without the special permit and direction of the Board of Health; and whenever it shall come to the knowledge of any person that such person or articles have been brought within such limits he shall immediately give notice thereof to the said board and of the location of such person or articles, and no person shall remove any articles liable to propagate a dangerous or contagious disease from any house or place in which such dangerous or contagious disease shall exist without a permit from said board.

SEC. 7. No person shall hereafter be removed to the hospital for contagious diseases except upon the written order of the Health Officer.

SEC. 8. No public funeral of any person dead of any contagious disease shall be held in the city, but immediately after death by any contagious disease the corpse shall be placed in an air-tight coffin or otherwise prepared for burial with such precautions as the Health Officer may direct, and it shall not be thereafter exposed.

SEC. 9. No hack, stage, or livery carriage in which a person known to the owner or driver thereof to be afflicted with any contagious disease shall have been carried, shall be thereafter used for the transportation of any passenger until such hack, stage, or livery carriage shall have been thoroughly purified to the satisfaction of the Health Officer.

SEC. 10. Any person violating any of the preceding sections shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO NUISANCES.

Be it ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Waterbury:

SECTION 1. The placing or depositing in or on any street, or the dragging along or across the same, any offal, filth, hides, or any other offensively smelling substance, causing such street or sidewalk to be in an unclean and offensive condition, shall be deemed a nuisance.

SEC. 2. The dressing or cleaning of any fish, birds, poultry, or animal of any kind, in or upon any bridge, or on the margin of any basin, cover, creek, brook, or river, or on any railroad, street, or public square, or the laying, placing, or leaving in any such place any animal or vegetable substance liable to putrefy, or the placing or leaving of any such substance in any other place in said city, without burying or otherwise securing the same so that no stench, contagion, or contamination of the air can arise therefrom, shall be deemed a common nuisance.

SEC. 3. The owner of any animal that shall die or be found dead in said city, except where such animal has been killed for food and is fit for food, shall cause such animal to be immediately buried at least three feet under ground or carried beyond the city limits.

SEC. 4. No privy shall be kept or suffered to remain in such a condition as to be offensive by its scent, except temporarily while being cleaned as hereinafter provided. If any privy cannot otherwise be rendered reasonably inoffensive it shall be removed.

SEC. 5. The Board of Aldermen may, upon application therefor, designate a suitable number of trustworthy persons to be licensed under the hand of the Mayor, as prescribed in the ordinances concerning licenses and permits, to engage in the business of removing the contents of vaults or privies.

SEC. 6. Every person engaged in said business shall keep and use therein suitable conveyances for the carriage of said contents, with water-tight tanks or boxes and close-fitting lids or covers, and shall at all times keep conspicuously on all such conveyances, in large letters and figures, the words "Night Soil" and the number of his license; all which shall first be examined and approved by the Health Officer and certified by him on the license.

SEC. 7. No person shall remove the contents of any private vault through any street, unless duly licensed thereto as aforesaid, nor unless in a conveyance approved as aforesaid. No privy vault shall be cleaned, nor shall the contents thereof be carted through any street of said city, except between the first day of November and the fifteenth day of April next succeeding, and between the hours of ten and four o'clock in the night season. *Provided*, however, if it shall be necessary in the construction or alteration of any building,

or in order to abate a nuisance, to remove the contents of any vault at any other time, the Health Officer may issue a special permit therefor, prescribing the time and manner of such removal, as provided in the ordinance concerning licenses and permits.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of every person licensed as a night soil man as aforesaid to obey the orders of the Health Officer in removing the contents of any vault deemed by such officer to be a nuisance, and to leave the premises about any vault in a clean condition.

SEC. 9. No person shall deposit the contents of any vault in any highway or public ground in said city, nor in any other place in said city, without covering the same with earth and mixing therewith a sufficient quantity of deodorizing substance to destroy the effluvia therefrom.

SEC. 10. Every occupant of any house, building, or tenement in said city shall keep the same and the yard and premises connected therewith in a clean condition and free from filth and substances likely to infect the air of the neighborhood, and shall collect in one place in such yard or premises all the house dirt or offal, and when the same shall become offensive, as aforesaid, shall cause the same to be removed. And every landlord or agent of the landlord having general charge of such premises shall cause the same to conform to this ordinance within three days after receiving notice to that effect from the Health Officer.

SEC. 11. Every person who shall keep any horses, cattle, goats or swine in said city shall keep and maintain the building, stable, pen or other place in which such animal or animals shall be kept in such a clean condition, and dispose of the manure in such a manner, that the neighbors or persons passing in the street shall not be incommoded by the smell therefrom.

SEC. 12. No person shall keep or use any guano or other fertilizing substance in said city, for any purpose whatever, in such a manner as directly or indirectly to become offensive by the effluvia arising therefrom to any person residing in the neighborhood or passing in the street.

SEC. 13. No building or yard shall hereafter be kept or used in said city for the purpose of killing or dressing therein any animal or animals, for hire or market, sale or exportation.

SEC. 14. No person shall hereafter kill or dress, or assist in killing or dressing, in said city any animal usually intended for food, except upon the premises occupied by the family for whose private use such animal is intended.

SEC. 15. No building, tan vat, yard or premises shall be used in said city for the purpose of tanning or dressing leather or skins, or for any part of any process for dressing or tanning leather or skins.

SEC. 16. It shall be the duty of every owner of any premises in said city, and of the agent of such owner, having charge of the premises, and of every occupant of such premises, to keep and maintain the same and the street in front thereof to the center of the street free from any violation of the foregoing provisions of this ordinance. Every person violating any of the foregoing provisions of this ordinance, or aiding in, or causing or procuring any such violation, or suffering or permitting such violation in or upon any premises belonging to him or occupied by him, or upon the street adjacent thereto, as aforesaid, or with property belonging to him, shall be deemed guilty of committing and maintaining a nuisance.

SEC. 17. The Health Officer shall be charged with the duty of preventing, examining, and abating the foregoing nuisances of said city, and in the discharge of said duty he shall have power at all reasonable times, with the necessary assistance, to enter any premises in said city, and shall obey such orders and directions relative thereto as he shall receive from the Board of Health. He shall make complaint to the City Attorney of any violation of the foregoing provisions, and shall furnish him with a written statement of all the facts in his possession relating thereto.

SEC. 18. Whenever said Health Officer shall have notice or knowledge of the existence of any of said nuisances in said city, if the same be in any public street, square or grounds, he shall cause the same to be abated or removed at once, and if the same shall be on private premises he shall notify and order the owner or occupant of the premises to abate and remove the nuisance in such reasonable time as he may prescribe in such order, in writing, and if such order is not complied with in the time so prescribed he shall employ proper assistance to remove and abate such nuisance.

SEC. 19. The expenses incurred by said Health Officer in abating or removing any of said nuisances shall be paid by the city. Such

expenses shall be a charge against every person causing or procuring such nuisance to exist, and against every person suffering or permitting such nuisance to be done or to exist on any premises owned or occupied by him or under his charge, and may be recovered in behalf of said city of such persons or any of them, jointly or severally, in any proper form of action. It shall be the duty of the Health Officer forthwith to notify the City Attorney of any such expense, and the names of the persons chargeable therefor; and it shall be the duty of said attorney to proceed to collect the same.

SEC. 20. Any gas works or gas reservoir now or hereafter erected in said city, which shall corrupt the water or pollute the air so as to become offensive or injurious to any person residing in the vicinity thereof, or suffered to drain into any of the waters of said city so as to corrupt the same, shall be deemed a common nuisance. The Board of Health of said city may order such alterations as they shall deem necessary to abate and prevent such nuisance. Any gas pipe in any street of said city, in a leaky condition so as to contaminate the air or injure or endanger any tree in any street or public square or private grounds, shall be deemed a nuisance, and the Board of Health may make an order on the person or corporation using the same to abate or prevent such nuisance.

SEC. 21. No person shall throw, cast, place or deposit, or cause to be thrown, cast, placed or deposited, into any stream, brook, canal, flume, raceway or tail race, or into any sewer, catch basin or drain, any dead animal, or any carrion or putrid meat, or any ashes, garbage, offal, or rubbish of any kind.

SEC. 22. No meat, fish, bird or fowl, or vegetables, not being then healthy, fresh and sound, and safe for human food, nor any meat or fish that died by disease or accident, shall be brought into the city or held for sale in any public or private market anywhere in said city.

SEC. 23. No decayed or unwholesome vegetables shall be brought into the city to be consumed or offered for sale, nor shall any such articles be stored in the city. No blown, putrid, impure, or unhealthy meat, fish, bird or fowl shall be held, brought into the city, bought or sold, or offered for sale, within the city.

SEC. 24. If any cattle, meat, bird, fowl, fish, or vegetables be found

by the Health Officer which in his opinion are unwholesome for human food, he may forbid the same being sold, offered or exposed for sale till the owner or person in charge has obtained a permit from the Board of Health; but if said Board of Health are of the opinion that the same are unwholesome and unfit for human food they shall refuse a permit, and it shall thereupon be the duty of the owner or person in charge to speedily remove the same to some suitable place specified by the Health Officer. In default of such removal said Health Officer may cause the same to be removed and disposed of in such manner as he may direct, at the expense of the owner or person who should have removed the same.

SEC. 25. No person shall keep any cow or cows for the production of milk in a crowded, filthy, or unhealthful condition or stable, nor feed the same on food that produces impure, diseased or unhealthful milk, nor upon any swill or refuse, nor upon any substance of an unhealthful nature, nor shall cows kept for the production of milk be confined in filthy stables, barns, or other buildings, nor shall milk thus produced be sold, offered for sale, or brought into the city.

SEC. 26. No person shall erect, maintain, build or use, or suffer to be used, any cesspool or private drain upon any premises owned or occupied by him, for more than sixty days after the completion of a public sewer in the street upon which said premises are situated or may be connected therewith.

SEC. 27. All persons owning or keeping more than three horses in any barnyard or stable shall, between the first day of May and the first day of October in each year remove or cause to be removed from such premises all the manure thereof at least once each week.

SEC. 28. No person shall, between the first day of May and the first day of October in each year, keep or maintain any swine within the territory comprised within the following limits: Commencing at the center of Buckingham street at its intersection with Cooke street, thence westerly in center of said street and continuing in said line westerly to the center of Hillside avenue at its intersection with Waterville street; thence in center of Waterville street to Sperry street; thence in center of Sperry street to West Main street; thence in center of West Main street to the Naugatuck river; thence

in the line of the Naugatuck river to Burnham street; thence in center of Burnham street to South Main street; thence in center of South Main street to Mad river; thence in line of Mad river to Scovill's bridge; thence westerly to Mill street; thence in center of Mill street to East Main street; thence to center of Cherry street; thence in center of Cherry street to Great brook; thence in line of Great brook to North Main street; thence to center of Burton street; thence in center of Burton street to Bishop street; thence in a straight line to Buckingham street, place of beginning.

SEC. 29. No person shall suffer or permit any swine to be kept in any inclosure where manure or refuse from stables or barns is deposited or thrown.

SEC. 30. Any person violating any of the foregoing provisions shall forfeit a penalty of not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars.

SEC. 31. Sections five, six, seven, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, and twenty-seven of the ordinance relating to nuisances are hereby repealed.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO GREAT AND LITTLE BROOKS.

Be it ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Waterbury:

SECTION 1. From and after the first day of January, 1886, no person shall suffer or permit any sewer or drain to empty or discharge its contents into Great brook or Little brook, or into any stream or channel emptying into either of said brooks. No person shall thereafter empty any sewage or other offensive or deleterious matter, or suffer or permit the same to be emptied into Great brook or Little brook; and any person violating the provisions of this section shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

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Approved July 20, 1885.

HENRY A. MATTHEWS, Mayor.